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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
CONTRACTING OFFICER'S
DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS

AUTHORITY TO NEGOTIATE CONTRACT

The Central Intelligence Agency proposes to enter into a contract with Hycon Manufacturing Company, Pasadena, California for modification, repair and overhaul of photographic equipment and related ground support equipment being used on Project AQUATONE operations.

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I hereby find that this procurement under Project [REDACTED] is chargeable to appropriation 21x6889 on a fiscal year term basis; the estimated cost of performing the work cannot be reasonably forecast; and the nature of the work involves modifications, repair and overhaul of equipment the extent of which cannot be ascertained in advance of performance of work. I also find that this procurement is incident to development of highly technical equipment essential to an experimental, developmental and research program presently under procurement and which will result in operational activities; that it is in the interest of national defense and that it has been certified by the Director of Central Intelligence under date of 20 SEP 1956, to be for objects of a confidential, extraordinary and emergency nature and therefore is within the purview of the procurement authority of the Agency or stated in Section 10 (b) of Public Law 110, 81st Congress. Procurement by formal advertising of the work and services called for by the proposed contract, Number BC-450, would result in public disclosure of the nature and character of the equipment as well as its intended use and would thereby jeopardize the security classification of the project.

I hereby determine, as Contracting Officer for this contract, that the necessity and authority for negotiation of this contract have been adequately documented by proper Agency authority, and that the proposed contract must necessarily be negotiated without formal advertising.

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